THE COTTON GROWERS

HELD A REPRESENTATIVE CONVEN-TION IN COLUMBIA.

Mr. Boddey, a New York Broker, Attends and Makes an Address - Full Proceedings of the Convention -- The Plan Adopted to

The Cotton Growers' Convention assembled at the courthouse in Colum bia on Wednesday night, and was called to order by Mr. J. C. Wilborn. Mr. Wilborn said as he called the meeting, he would make a few remarks in opening the proceedings.

Gentlemen of the Convention: I am more then glad to welcome so many of you in attendance on this meeting tonight. While I am deeply impressed with the importance, individually, of some action being taken in regard to the handling of our great staple crop. I could not resist the importunities of many members of the organization I have the honor to preside over, to take some official action; therefore, as president of the Farmers' State Alliance I requested a representation of the farmers of the State to meet in this city tonight to take under consideration this great question, which includes the production of three fourths of the cotton which clothes the civilized world, as well as the manner in which it shall be prepared and placed upon the world's market. What are the facts? We, of the South are the producers of the raw material of the

chief article of clothing of the world. No known country can compete with us, we have an acknowledged monopoly of this great staple. It is a product that employs more people agricultu-rally in its production than any other single commodity. There is more capital involved in the commercial handling of it than any other one article. When our eyes first open to the sun light we are wrapped in it and layed in our cradles. We make use of it all the way through life's journey and when we come to be gathered to our fathers our winding sheet is made of it and we are hid beneath the willows in a bed of cotton. Again I repeat more people are engaged in its pro-duction; more capital invested in its tural product; in fact it does more to keep the world spinning than any one article; and yet the farmer who produces this cotton real zes less from it than anyone else who touches it. This is not right, it should not be so, and tonight we wish to set in motion some action that will correct this evil. If receive the price it is worth, if we produce 3,500,000 tales let the price correspond But don't let us be sub ject to an estimate of '11,000,000 bales. made by an authority whose first and only aim is to work in the interest of the manufacturer against that of the producer. I would recommend that tonight we take some action looking to the calling of a convention of rep resentatives of the cotton growing states early in January, 1898. We have a national commissioner of agriculture who is a cabinet officer and thority on any subject appertaining to a national head, to collect and dissemand the estimates of its ultimate remade, to increase the use of American cotton products in foreign countries, the past 10 years. It has been our custom for the farmers who borrowed money, if one did so in January, another in February; another in March, hope to improve. and so on, all paper is made payable in October and November. Now, if we can arrange so that a large per cent. of this paper of the farmer shall run for twelve months and thereby become due at different times so as not to force the cotton crop on the market in too limited a time, it would be much better for the marketing of the cotton and for the producers' interests. I have taken the liberty of making these remarks by way of suggestion and will now declare the convention ready for any business you desire to take up. I shall consider any one present who is interested in the production of cotton as entitled to the privileges of the floor without you rule otherwise. In conclusion, I desire to submit a letter I have received from a prominet cotton broker of New Mr. J. C. Wilborn, Rock Hill S. C.

Dear Sir: No doubt several years ago, you were surprised at my not continuing my plan for organizing the farmers, but as the market immediately began to advance and sold up worry about their supplies as they can \$20 per bale and as our object had been accomplished, I deemed it best to all operator generally took the bear of any promise of success, the disastrous der to save their lives, they were come votes. In Massachusetts so distinsay nothing and I would have rethe market. The lower the price of conditions that confront the producer pelled to eat the grease used to lubrit guished a man as ex-Congressman satisfactory. By approiating \$100 conton the last few cotton the stronger the pressure on of cotton, involving the active coopweek the professional operator begun the creditor. When an operator with eration of the individual producer their same tactics and are trying it \$10,000 can sell the entire country's from North Carolina to Texas; and in bly on several occasions because ill- as many votes as George Fred Wilseems to wreck the south. Now, I product it is putting small value on view of the necessity for a full repredent on the farm labor. Cotton, not yet sentative meeting at every stage of prompt obedience to commands. Jer-long the Republicant found their cases and starvation prevented his liams, who made an aggressive fight consider it an absolute necessity that the farm labor. Cotton, not yet sentative meeting at every stage of prompt obedience to commands. Jer-long the Republicant found their cases are broken as a series of the results are the sentative meeting at every stage of the representative mee we form our organization and show to planted sold yesterday for 5 cents the organization. the world that the south will not sub- here, next October cotton sold for mit to any kind of servitude that the 5 88 yesterday. That is a fine out-president of the convention be aubalance of the world is trying to place look! The southern farmers, strange thorized to call an interstate cotton upon them; that the south has a practical monopoly of a product that is price of their products. He proposed city of Atlanta the first Tuesday in necessary to all classes and countries to organize a trust if he went it alone. January or as soon thereafter as pracand that they will no longer allow He could not see his companions work tical, at which meeting each cotton the World says of Hanna: "What has tions and countries keep them in a he would organize like the Standard many representatives as it now has his perranal cauvass for election to condition of servitude. I enclose a Oil company; they are organized members of the United States house of letter which I trust you will consider against us and why not organize. He representatives, for the purpose of 87 in the legislature has almost disappearance. fare. We may yet show the world of it. Cotton was \$12 a bale less to we are not the ignorant and shiftless day than the same day last year. Yet gressional district be appointed to said third that figure, while the legislative people they consider us. We must the visible supply was 700,000 bales convention from this State. work again; will you have this published wherever you can send me the address of the presidents of all tre Farmers' Alliances in the south. Be glad to hear from you. Very sincerely, John T. Roddey. Mr. Roddev's enclosure was as fol-

suggested a plan for the southern far- ganization and work. mers to control the price of his cotton ter the meeting the farmers for some plan to be effective must involve the large be elected to represent this as- lary force again, and to tell the govtime seemed as if they realized that whole cotton belt and the individual. sociation."

no longer suffer such an imposition, convention. Something might then dissent: but as the slick professionals be be done. He offered the following Resolv ally advanced \$20 per bale, and has remained at a comparatively fair price. unt within the last few months and their work.

"Had the price remained at a figure where there was any chance for you to makes living I should not have menbut I believe if you do not organiza and form a combination as is formed main in the depths of poverty. Their high prices or full value for your cotand to keep you in a dependent condition, they want to keep you from organizing, to make you distrust and have no confidence in each other, and to ridicule in every way the idea that you have the ability to organiza.

"If you realized they were opposed to you, you would expect no assistance from them. Has Neill, the Englishman, ever failed to make an estimate that he did not endeavor to drive prices lower, and is it not natural that other sections and countries that have you in their power should try to keep you there and get your cotton for as little as possible and the under present sys. vention. tem, they will keep you there unless not tamely submit to an imposition. I tion as the basis reaching up through want every farmer to speak to his the county and State and interstate orneighbor and urge the necessity of ganization, will prove effective in so ted by this convention to organize a formation. Many may say that this great an undertaking." is a scheme of mine to fleece the farmers, but I am a southern man with southern instincts and southern in M. C. Butler asked if he could not say sub-committeeman in each township clinations, and it is the dearest wish of my heart to promote the welfare of

"The cotton market has declined \$1.00 per baleduring the last two days | business and that he thought Mr. Edand every farmer that owns a bale of wards' motion should be adopted. cotton is out \$1 00 on account of two This should be done and would not days trading in the future market. It is your duty to your children and your wives, that they do not have to carry such a burden all their lives appointed: Abbevule, J. E. Bradly; Pollock; Cherokee, W. D. Camp, Clarendon, manufacture than any other agricul. it will be forwarded to him on applica-

producers have created over one half the wealth of the whole country and yet the assessed valuation of all the L Donaldson; Lincaster, W. G. Porproperty of the cotton States, is not as ter; Laurens, J. H. Wharton; Lexing.

some arrangement, you will, although can; Spartanburg, J. B. St pp; Sum. York, W. N. Elder. you are blessed by Providence as be ter, E. D. Smith; Saluda, W. S. Allen: ing the finest section in the world, become absolutely slaves, as you are J. T. Graham; York, A. H. White. partly no v. Will you allow the! show to the world that God has blessed corporated in its report the resolution carried.

should be the highest agricultural au- you and that you will benefit by it? agriculture. Let our different agriculthe south that has the south's welfare first Tuesday in January, 1898, to the man raise \$1 for the future expenses ral organizations be used, with him as at heart to publish this letter and to appointment of delegates from this of the general State association. The co operate with me in endeavoring to State and recommending township president was also authorized to make inate truthful and reliable facis as to bring about an organization, that will organizations. Then on motion of another such call for funds whenever the exact status of the growing crop work and strive for the future pros Senator Butler the committee's report necessary. perity of the south and resist all the as smended was unanimously adopt anlies. If we make a large crop we snares laid by shrewd tricksters. It ed as a whole as follows: must solde the effects such a crop has can be done, it will be done, all that "Having had under consideration convention adjourned sine die and on the markets of the world. Our na- is necessary is for the intelligent and the resolution of this association intional commissioner may be able to thinking people to act together. No structing it to prepare the order of rade: do something if the proper efforts are other class or section of country on the business for the meeting, your comface of the earth that has a practical mittee beg leave to report the followmonopoly of the most valuable product that is produced, would sit idly "1. That it is the sense of this assowe are all aware of how our cotton duct that is produced, would sit idly trade with Asia has increased during by and allow other sections and other ciation that any and all efforts made body; Col. R. B. Watson, vice presi-

and yet save our country and our

"If something is not done you must inevitably go from bad to worse, it is undoubtedly in your hands." The Convention was then perma

nently organized by the election of J. C. Wilborn as President, R B. Watson, Vice-President and D. P. Duncan as Secretary. Mr. Wm. McGowan, of Union, said

business was to be considered and dent in the sale of our cotton. nothing else. It was a pure cold knew what was going on. MR RODDEY SPEAKS.

Mr. Roddey said he studied the erance of the above recommendations question for seven years and felt satis. we adopt as a part of our report the fied the farmers were manipulated out preamble and resolutions adopted on of a living. Large spinners do not yesterday by this convention, viz: combine as to prices. The profession organization necessary to meet, with driven to such desperation that in or Democrats only polled about 10,000 a commission to Europe Mr. McKinley to say, let other classes regulate the growers' convention to be held in the company and would make a success disaster that threatens.

Mr. Stepp proposed this:

10 bases per mule. States would do. Mr. Edwards of Saluda moves that delegates to the said interstate cotton Control Taesday, it took up one delegate from each county be approvers convention. "Three years ago during the present one delegate from each county be ap- growers convention.

outsiders were gradually grinding All that could be done was to try Mr. L. W. Youmans introduced the him in carrying out the provisions of lower and that they would and get a general cotton growers' following, which was adopted without the law.

In view of the magnitude of the organization necessary to meet with any tor B. Lane, president of the Southpromise of success the disastrous con- ern Cotton Growers' Protective assothe professionals have been getting in ditions that confronts the producers of ciation. cotton, involving the active cooperation of the individual producer from North Carolina to Texas, and in view of the necessity for a full representationed the plan of a trust against them, tive meeting at every state of the or-

ganization.
"Resolved, That the president of against you, that you will forever re- this convention be authorized to call an interstates cotton growers conveninterest is diametrically opposed to tion to be held in Atlanta the first Tuesday in January, on or soon thereton, they are organized and work upon lafter as practicable, at which meeting business principles, they combine and each cotton growing State be requestforce the price of your cotton to a ed to send as man representatives as point where you can barely live in or- it now has members in the United der to allow them to make their profits States house of representatives, for the purpose of devising ways and means to avert the disaster that threatens.

"2 That a delegate be appointed rom each congressional district of the State to represent this body in the said convention.

'3. That the president of this body

each of the cotton growing States, or in the absence of agricultural organization, request the governor of such convention are due and are hereby State to call similar meetings in their extended to Mr. J. T. Roddey for his discussing plans and electing delegates | the meetings of this convention. to said interstate cotton growers' con-

"4. That in the opinion of this body you wake up and decide that you will nothing short of township organiza-

After some discussion as to which was the best plan to be pursued Gen. experience that nothing would be ac on salesday in December. complished without the forming of a The following are the committee to prepare some organized selected in accordance with the resolu-

Whaly; Florence, J. W. King: Greenwood, J. McD. Kinard; Greenville, M. great as that in the State of New York ton, J. H. Counts; Hampton, B. H. alone.

Thens; Kershaw, J. W. Floyd; Mariboro, J. F. Breeden; Marion.

jof the preceding day looking to a

your product fix the price and keep of the producers of cotton, by en- ries for their faithful services. you in a position where you can never hancing the price, establishing and maintaining stability of markers and "Let us join together and fight the securing remuneration to the produschemers who make ten times as much | cer, should have and receive the cor- recently told in the office of the Unitas you do in trading on your labor dial endorsement and support of this ed States Listrict Attorney at San

association. "2. That notwithstanding the cry c low prices, the crop is taken and consumed; yet in order the more readily to accomplish our purpose of controlling prices, we recommend the increase of other crops and the consequent reduction of the cotton crop; others for supplies and more indepen-"3. That this meeting should adopt

blooded propositon. He as a lawyer decisive measures to secure the co. supply was exhausted and from then looked at it that way. He wrote to operation of cotton growers in all until the close of the voyage no vege Mr. Roddey for information as he was sections of the country in adopting tables of any sort were served the interest of the gold Democrats, and on the field and proposed that Mr. some system by which prices can be sailors. Three times a day the crew yet the gold Democrats' candidate for John T. Roddey be heard from as he maintained, so as to give the producer was served with one half of a small air remuneration. "4. Looking, therefore, to the furth-

"'In view of the magnitude of the

"Be it resolved. 1. That the

" '2. That a delegate from each con-

"3. That the president of this meeting call upon agriculturai organiza-Resolved, That the farmers of South tions in other cotton growing States Ohio Democratic turkey may not be a Carolina reduce in cotton acreage to or in the absence of agricultural or very big bird, but it is a substantial ganizations, request the governor of fowl J. P. Murdock suggested that it was such State to call similar meetings in better to wait and see what other their respective States for the purpose of discussing the situation and electing

organ'zi ion as the basis, reaching up trade, the walking tigers and the The short crop abroad brought a sud-Capt. Scott Allan of Saluda, wanted through county and State organization for refusal of certain towns to enforce den raise in wheat, and the Republi-

First District-Thomas M. Martin. Second District-L. W. Youmans. Third District-J. E. Bradly. Fourth District—Dr. J. B. Stepp Fifth District—J. C. Wilborn. Sixth District—J. F. Breeden. Seventh District-E D, Smith Alternates were chosen as follows: Second, T. S. Allen; Fourth, J. H.

Resolved, That the secretary of this

association be instructed to serve a

Then on motion of Senator Batler

the convention went into an election

of delegates to the Atlanta convention

Delegates at, Large-M. L. Donald

son of Greenville and Dr. J. Wm.

which resulted as follows:

Stokes of Orangeburg.

copy of these resolutions on Mr. Hec-

Wharton; Fifth, T. J. Cunningham; Sixth, J. C. Sellers. The delegates of the First, Third and Seventh districts were authorized to appoint substitutes in case they were

unable to attend. Mr. Donaldson introduced the fol call upon agricultural organization in lowing which was unanimously Resolved, That the thanks of this

respective States, for the purpose of valuable advice and assistance during After considerable discussion and offers of amendments, the following introduced by Mr. T. L. Gantt, was

Resolved, That one committeeman from each county in the State be elecand that said committeeman be instructed and empowered to appoint a a word. He thought that from his in his county to meet in convention The following are the chairmen

tion; Abbeville, John R. Blake; Aiken, Arthur Cushman; Anderson, A. C. Latimer; Bamberg, S. G. Mayfield; Barnwell, L. W. ley, J. B. Morrison; Charleston, R. C. Barkcarry such a burden all their fives which you have not attempted to put down. You might fight the devil with fire. If any one has not seen the plan it will be forwarded to him on application.

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Harrison: Hampton, W. J. Gooding; Horry, J. A. McDormett; Kershaw. J. C. Rollings; Lancaster, J. R. Knight: Laurens, John H. Wharton; Lexington, D. E. Efird; Marion, J. E. Ellerbe; Marlboro, W. D. Evans; New-Burns; Orangeburg, L. S. Connor; Pickens; strengthening the Chicago platform. that if you do not organize or perfect H. L. Cureion; Richland, J. T. Dun- Little; Williamsburg, Dr. A. H. Williams,

Mr. Duncan moved to reconsider Union, D P, Duncan; Williamsburg, that part of the resolutions fixing the Atlanta convention for the first Tues-The Convention then adjourned to day in January and make the date of price of your labor to be fixed by a reassemble Thursday morning. which that meeting the second Tuesday in

On motion of Mr. W. D. Evans it "I should like every neswpaper in general convention in Atlanta on the was resolved that each county chair-

After adopting the following, introduced by Hon. M. B. McSweeney, the went out to look at the military pa-

Resolved. That the thanks of this convention are due and are hereby heartily tendered to Col. J. C. Wilborn, the presiding officer of this countries that must absolutely have to advance and promote the interests dent; and also to the efficient secreta

Oruelty and Starvation.

A tale of cruelty and starvation was Francisco by four or five forlorn, weak and scurvy strickn sailors, memover production as a justification of bers of the American ship John A. Briggs, of San Francisco. They swore to a complaint charging Capt. J. W. Badth with having misused and starved his men, while First Mate Johnson also will be arrested for cruelfore a month had passed the potato carry a single precinct in the state. vek's arm and nose were broken. On I into insensibility for the same cause. Others were badly abused.

The Democrats of Onio can eat their the last election for governor, 1895, plurality on the popular vote is only 3.000. He weakens his party at home and discredits it in the nation." The

To Fight Blind Tigers. At the meeting of the State Board of

ernor that the board will stand by publican party has failed to hold its banks.

THE POLITICAL OUTLOOK. grow. The Dingley law was the only affirm.

WHAT BRYAN THINKS OF THE RE SULT OF THE LATE ELECTION.

New York Demonstate a Great Change

adopted in Chicago in 1896.

In the home of the president, as man of the Republican national com- only promised to restore protection, among these who believe the modern mittee the Republican majority was which was alleged to be the foundatrust to be a menace to the industries almost reduced one half, and the legislature is close. Certainly in Ohio, if anywhere Republicans might have supported to the put in operation.

Which was an eged to be the foundation of prosperity. He asked that islature is close. Certainly in Ohio, if anywhere Republicans might have supported to the industries of the United as well as to the policies of the United to take a wagon and three men and States.

States.

The last Democratic platform op Spartanourz, Pickens and Greenville expected to hold their own, but instead of doing so they have shown a ation something like four months and Events have brought this subject into distinct loss, in spi'e of the fact that yet has not been vindicated by experi- still greater prominence since the elec they had an abundance of money for ence, not withstanding the fact that tion, and few Republicans will openly campaign purposes, and an organiza tion as complete as last year, together papers are continually celebrating the Will the Republican party indorse with the interested aid of those who return of prosperity, the voters do not that plank in the Chicago platform have received office at the hands of seem to have received their share, as and carry it into execution, or will it, the administration, or expect office.

In Kentucky the Democrats carried day. the state by about 20,000 and secured a good working majority in the legisla-

ly, Onio, Kentucky, Iowa, Pennsylva nia, Massachusetts, Virginia and Ne-braska, the Democrats reaffirm the positions taken in the Chicago platform. and in each of these states the Republicans discussed national issues and berry, R. T. C. Hunter; Oconee, C. R. D. pointed out that Democratic gain was We have a right, therefore, to claim the political advantages which they foresaw and tried to prevent.

In New York the Democratic gains were so great that the Democratic candidate for judge of the court of appeals overcame the enormous majori- advantages, even to the manufactur- caused the arrest of Mr. L. Steinau, a ty of last year, and was elected by over 50,000 majority. The Democrats of Mr. McKinley's financial policy. also made gains in New York city and The elections will encourage the people in other sections and in other it did at ten o'clock. The meeting December, his object being to have in the New York. New Jersey and countries who have no interest what opened with the reading of the report that convention as soon as possible so Maryland legislatures. I am not sufever in your welfare, but rather the of the committee appointed to map out as to influence the next crop. This ficiently acquainted with the local met with approval and hismotion was situation in New York city and in New York, New Jersey and Maryland to be able to judge how far the the Republican policy, and still gains strengthened the Chicago plat further vindicate the principles set vate room at police headquarters. The

public estimation. This was especialvote he consented to be a candidate

for supreme judge did not poll onehalf of 1 per cent of the vote of the ty and beating and wounding sailors state (less than half as many votes as thereby becoming less dependent on on the high seas. The Briggs sailed the party polled last year) Ex Secfrom Baltimore a little over five retary Morton, notwithstanoing his polled less than 1 per cent. of the votes months ago, bound for this port. Be- large personal acquaintauce did not

and Bynum canvassed the state in the curing three votes, the Republicans of keys to the wholesale store identi-In Iowa ex Congressmen Patterson governor only poiled about 2,000 more loaf of bread and two thin slices of than the party polled last year, or a metalism. A little more than seven salt beef or junk cut so thin that poor little more than 1 per cent, of the vote millions supported the Republican sailors could almost see through it. of the state. In Kentucky, where Before Cape Horn had been reached perhaps the hardest fight was made by two of the men, Charles Jervek and the gold Democrats in order to vindi-George Nichols were attacked with cate Mr. Cariisle and the Courierscurvy and the entire crew had been Journal, the candidate of the gold First Mate Johnson beat Jervek terri- gold ticket, polled less than one-fifth The Republicans fought their cam-

able circumstances Congress was called together in extraordinary session, and the Dingley bill was passed. Factories which were closed during sions to bimetalism, thus proving tha the period of uncertainty as to the independent bimetallists were right Thanksgiving turk y pleasantly. As schedules, opened up when the law last fall in asserting that the contest Democrats make gains in the presiwas finally passed, and the rates posi- between gold monometalism and bimeoperators representing different sectors for \$12. A trust will cost money and growing State be requested to send as he done for the party in Ohio? Under tively fixed; merchants, who had tallism is a contest between the money tively fixed; merchants, who had tallism is a contest between the money tively fixed; merchants, who had tallism is a contest between the money tively fixed; merchants, who had tallism is a contest between the money tively fixed; merchants, who had tallism is a contest between the money tively fixed; merchants, who had tallism is a contest between the money tively fixed; merchants, who had tallism is a contest between the money tively fixed; merchants, who had tallism is a contest between the money tively fixed; merchants, who had tallism is a contest between the money tively fixed; merchants, who had tallism is a contest between the money tively fixed; merchants, who had tallism is a contest between the money tively fixed; merchants, who had tallism is a contest between the money tively fixed; merchants, who had tallism is a contest between the money tively fixed; merchants, who had tallism is a contest between the money tively fixed; merchants, who had tallism is a contest between the money tively fixed; merchants, who had tallism is a contest between the money postponed purchases for the same power and the common people. The reason, replenished their stocks, and failure of the commission to secure the metropolitan newspapers united the co-operation of Europe is proof and have published in every possible was going to organize a million dollar devising ways and means to avert the peared. The plurality of 92,000 in heralding a return of prosperity, that the independent bimetallists were Since everybody was anxious for right when they asserted the people of prosperity to return, no matter what the United States must rely upon their party brought it, many were inclined own efforts for relief, without waiting to give the Republican party further for the aid or consent of an other natime to demonstate the successs or tion. failure of its policies. Republicans | The Republican party having failed who believe in a high tariff. as well as in its efforts to get rid of the gold silver, were waiting to see the Dingley standard must now insist upon the law tested. Republicans who were in American people enduring a gold

platform, and were loath to give up publican party carry over to the gold the outlook for silver grows more and month cotion touched the lowest price pointed, with Mr. J. T. Roddey as "4 That in the opinion of this the constabulary by Governor hope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when, just before the electronic standard all those who believed in inhope even when in the constable standard all those who believed in inhope even when it is the constable standard all those even when it is the constable standard all those even when it is the constable standard all those even when it and wrote numerous articles and spoke in several places on the subject. A convention was called in Atlanta, Ga. on the 21st of November, 1894, and the plan suggested was adopted. After the meeting of the meeting of the meeting them meeting the meeting them meeting the meeting them meeting the dispersion and them them meeting them meeti

But how will the benefits reach those

who use woolen goods, unless their

income are likewise increased? Raw

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Since 1884 we have alternated presi

lents with the Republican party.

Each administration was repudiated

by the people. Why? Because neither

the Democratic nor the Republican

administration attempted to relieve

increase?

of Sentiment- Gold Democratic Failures foundation of American development his letter of acceptance. On the conand prosperity."

W. J. Bryan, late Democratic candidate for President, writes as follows on the political outlook:

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The election is the party would keep in circulation as good as gold all the paper and silver more then included in the ty. More national banks failed during currency of the country. If, as now

The elections of 1897 indicate dis-satisfaction with Republican policies, of 1896 than failed during the corres-is about to attempt the retirement of and presage the overthrow of the Republican party. They also indicate that the bolting Demucrats cannot apparent that Congressman Grossenor gard the greez back as safe and useful victim in this case is J. Henry Turlong maintain a separate oaganization, the statistician of the Republican currency? and must either go over to the Republicans or return to the regular Demolicans or return to the regular Democonvention of 1897, in which he degrowing stronger every day, and the a farmer in good circumstances. He cratic party and accept the platform nied that the Republican party had Republican party is impotent to ex- came to his death by a pistol shot this

the legislature, notwithstanding the for delivery in 1898. This sdvance is they expect the support of railroad fact that a heavy vote was polled for directly traceable to the Dingley law. an off year. In Pennsylvania and Massachusetts the Republican majorities were largely reduced. In Virginia the Democrate made decided gains on the state ticket and in the legislature. In Nebraska the fusion plurality will exceed my plurality of last year, notwithstanding a considerable decrease in the total vote. The percentage of votes cast by the silver forces in Nebraska is greater than ever before.

In the states above mentioned name

Cleveland's figancial policy. Dingley law increases the tariff rates continue their campaign. They believe that events which, after all are more potent than speeches or campaign funds will still further condemn

Democrats last year was explained by correctnes of the position taken by the the union depot, about 7 o'clock this the assertion that most of the gold Democrats last year, and the Republi- evening. Steinau was put in the hands Democrats voted the Republican tick-et, but this year in several states spe-pute or explain the events. cial efforts was made by the gold The gold standard was fastened up given heavy mortgages to members of Democrats to poll a large vote in oron the country in 1873 without any his family and others to defraud his
der to give their party a standing in party asking for it. The American creditors, his affairs having become der to give their party a standing in party asking for it. The American people neither discussed nor expressed ly true in Nebraska, Iowa, Kentucky any desire for the gold standard prior and Massachusetts. Ex Secretary J. to its adoption. Even congress did not Sterling Morton made a speech at the understand the effect of the act of instructions from Chief Manley, was state convention of the gold Demo. 1873 when it was passed. crats, in which he asserted that there If any Republican is disposed to dehad been a large increase in his partys ny the possibility of a law passing were being spirited away. It is supstrength, and that the gold Democrats through congress without its contents posed that the officer saw some one in would poll 25,000 votes in Nebraska being understood by congress let him the store, which he knew was closed

> Democrats of 1896, after advocating international bimetallism at Chicago, declared for the gold standard two of the policeman's death. months later at Indianapolis, they and carried only one precinct in the Steinau, and the public thought it was United States—a precinct in which his. As stated, Simon and his clerk, only six votes were polled, they se O'Quinn, are under arrest. A bunch two and the regular Democrats one. clared last year for independent bi- Steinau was at home when the officer millions supported the Republican that an effort was being made to loot ticket was pledged to international bimetallism. Those thirteen and one to take the stock, and whoever the half millions declared themselves parties were, they were discovered by against the gold standard and in fa- the policeman and killed him to prevor of a double standard. By sending vent exposure.

mission the Republican congress confessed itself desirous of getting rid of the gold standard. The commission found France willing to abandon the old standard-con-August 3, Johnson beat Abel Paterson paign this year under the most favor- clusive proof that the gold standard has not been satisfactory to France. In England the capitalistic classes were opposed to making any conces-

favor of international bimetallism standard which they do not like, mere- to the dictates of the majority, will is getting back to the band wagon. It saw, in the sending of the commission ly because the financiers of England have a widespread influence in induc- is still for "sound money," but has abroad, a fulfilment of the party want the gold standard. Can the Re ling others to do likewise and, thus, Surely not. Not content with forcing upon the American people against

form the currency, referred with approval to the Indianapolis conference, ative remedy offered by the Rapubli- and the committee appointed by the canparty to relieve existing condi- Indianapolis conference is now at tions. The Republican platform of work preparing a plan for the retirelast year said: "We renew and em ment of green backs and treasury notes. phasize our allegiance to the policy of The Republican platform did not deprotection as a bulwark of American clare in favor of retiring the greenindustrial independence, and the backs, neither did Mr. McKinley in trary, he expressedly declared that the Immediately after the election it Republican party would keep in cir-

promised to bring prosperity, and terminate them excuse it receives fiquoted the Republican platform to nancial support from them. Therewell as the home of Mr. Hanna, chair- show that the Ropublican party had fore, it must be expected to lose votes

> The tariff bill has now been in oper- posed government by injunction. Republican leaders and Republican defend government by injunction. evidenced by the returns of last Tues- by ignoring the subject, alienate those

who believe in trial by jury? The Democrats in their last national The price of sugar rose before the sugar trust was allowed to dictate the platform favored the arbitration of movement in their respective counties and that said committeeman be instructed and empowered to appoint a structed and empowered to appoint a Democrats.

Sugar trust was allowed to dictate the arbitration of the About 5 clock this morning Mr. differences between carriers engaged in interstate commerce and their employes. The Republicans organized cotton growers in Columbia during able to obtain any of the advantages In Iowa the Republican majority which the bill brought to the trust sound money railroad clubs among was cut down almost one half, and The commercial reports point to an their employes. If they continue to young man named Bruce and was in their employes. If they continue to gains were made in advancement of woolen goods sold ignore the arbitration question, can a buggy which a mule was pulling. directly traceable to the Dingley law. employes in the future?

The Republican program now embraces three pernicious doctrines:

1. Foreign control of our primary to go out and halt it. This he proceeded to do but reaching the vehicle he could see that there was nothing braces three pernicious doctrines: than it was last. If a man makes his

living by producing cotton, how is he per money. 3. Trust control of the taxing power. Will the people submit? No. WILLIAM J. BRYAN.

POLICEMAN MURDERED.

Another Atlanta Officer Becomes a Martyr

the people from the one primary and continuing disease—namely, the gold standard. The Wilson bill modified force, was shot and killed tonight, under circumstances that promise to off and the ball took effect in Mr. Turthe tariff rates somewhat in the interest of the consumer, but the benefits develop a great sensation. There is a mystery surrounding the tragedy and the police do not know all the circum-The stances of the killing, but suspicion to the detriment of the consumers points toward persons whose connecgenerally and for the advantage of tion with such a crime would never manufacturers and trusts, but the have been suspected. This suspicion ers, will be overcome by the evils of large wholesale and retail liquor dealer, the proprietor of two or three of The elections will encourage the the costliest saloons in the city. Walfriends of independent bimettallism to ter O'Quinn and Julius Simon, two young white men, and three negroes employed in Steinau's wholesale liquor

house are also under arrest. Steinau was not placed in a cell, but was allowed to have a guard in a priforth in the Chicago platform. In killing occurred in Steinau's wholesale fact, events are already proving the liquor store, on Wall street, opposite

badly involved. Policeman Ponder was stationed on the beat in front of the store, and, on keeping a close watch upon it, as it had been reported that valuable goods this year. In order to bring out a full remember section 22 of the Dingley on account of the receivership, and bill. Congress did not know that the that he entered to make an arrest, the for regent of the state university, and Dingley bill contained section 22, front door being open. At any rate the chairman of the gold Democratic notwithstanding the fact that the bill he was shot down and instantly killed convention made the race for supreme passed the senate and was signed by while in the store, which was well the president. The United States en- lighted, though no one has yet been The returns are not complete, but dured the gold standard for twenty- found who saw the shooting. It is sufficient is known to make it certain three years before any party ever dar- another curious fact that the wholethat the gold Democratic candidate ed to defend it, and when the bolting sale store communicated by a glass door with a bar in the adjoining room, but the barkeeper there knew nothing

This saloon was run by Julius Simon, though originally opened up by fied as belonging to Steinau, was Six million and a half of voters de found near the front door, though was shot. The theory of the police is the store before the receiver had time

THE most distinctively Republican paper in New York the Press, which supported General Tracy, had, on the day of the election, the following brief but significant editorial: "Watch Ohio, for in that state the isssue has been silver, pure and simple. If the Bryan Democrats succeed in carrying Ohio, or even in cutting heavily into the sound money majority of last fall, then, indeed, there is danger ahead of this country. No longer can any man cling to the belief that Bryanism is dead. We must prepare, if the dent's state, for neavy silver onslaughts in the congress elections next of the fugitive, searching closely all year." According to the Press the result in Ohio is enough to give the gold-bugs that "tired feeling."

Watterson to the Democratic fold the gram to the governor. The charge is Columbia Register says "any man freely made that by his action he has claiming to be a Democrat must fol- laid himself liable as accessory after low this example, if his claim is to be the fact. sustained, and to be consistent the goldbugs should j in the Republicans. Watterson's determination to submit

A Man Killed at Blackville.

News and Courier says Robinson and money centres. Such a party with standard.

In spite of these advantages the Re-the United States to the national publican party has failed to hold its banks.

In spite of these advantages the Re-the United States to the national have come with the circus. The man cle thinks that by 1900 The News and

KILLED BY NEWBOLD.

FATE OF A CITIZEN OF SPARTANBURG COUNTY.

Shot as He Moved Off-The Cons'abl Claims the Deed Was Accidental--Citi

A special to the Columbia State says Spartanburg county is the seat of an awful tragedy and perhaps by mere coincidence the scene of murder is just two miles below the spot where Will Durham and Jack Fisher were murner, one of the most highly esteemed

morning fired by Chief State Constable Newbold. The facts of the case are about as follows: A short while back Newbold recived instructions from the governor couties, as many people were complain-ing of the illicit sale of whiskey in these counties. So Newbold secured the services of S. T. Howie, LaFar and McCaskill to assist him. Last night he left two of the party at the standpipe in the city limits and he and Howie went up the Haward Gap road until they reached the Stephen Grove negro church, two and a half miles

from the city limits. Here they camped. About 5 o'clock this morning Mr. fair week. He was accompanied by a Arriving near the church they both saw the camp fire, but thought nothing of it. Newbold turned to Howie suspicious about the buggy or its in mates, so he proceeded to let it pass.

Newbold hurried up and started to overtake the buggy, the mule then trotting briskly. He succeeded in doing so, and planting himself in the middle of the road in front of the buggy called on Mr. Turner and Bruce to halt. Newbold had a cocked pistol in each hand. The mule kept steadily on and Newbold raised the pistol in his left hand to fire. Just afterwards the gun in his right hand also went tim was carried to town by Mr. Bruce and ex-State Constable Howie. Dr. Dean was summoned and he prowas then taken back to his home, six miles above the city. Newbold claims that the killing was accidental purely. He says that when he raised the weep on to fire to make the mule halt the other pistol also went off inflicting the deadly wound. This is the story he tells his attorney, Judge W. S. Thoma-

son, and it is corroborated by his companion, S. T. Howie. Newbold came to town immediately after the killing, and through his attorney procured a horse and buggy and drove out of the city a little after 6 o'clock. He has not since been seen. Sheriff Dean is vigilant and active and will certainly nab him. The coroner's inquest was held this aftermoon. The jury returned a verdict that J. Henry Turner, deceased, came to his death from a gunshot wound from the hands of W. H. Newbold, with S. T. Howie as accessory. S. T. Howie is now lodged in the county jail. The public feeling against Newpold is very bitter, and if he had been caught today he would have been lynched. Mr. J. H. Turner was a representative farmer of the county, about 65 years of age; was a deacon in New Pisgah Baptist church for years, and leaves a wife and six children, all

grown. His death is mourned by many. A REWARD OFFERED. The Columbia State says Gov. Ellerbe has heard what a great many of the people of Spartanburg have had to say about the killing of Mr. Turner in that county by State Detective W. H. Newbold on Wednesday, and has been able in consequence to form a very good idea of the state of feeling therein regard to the matter. As a result he last night announced that he had offered a reward of \$250 for the

capture of the fleeing detective. Friday morning Governor Ellerbe received the following telegram from To Governor W. H. Ellerbe. Colum-

Newbold certainly seen two hours ago near Catawba Junction, eight miles from here. F. C. CULP,

Chief of Police. This dispacth was received during the forenoon. Nothing later was heard from Rock Hill. Sheriff Dean of Spartanburg county was in Columbia Friday. He held a consultation with Gov. Ellerbe and suggested the offering of a reward for the capture of Newbold. With the approval of the governor he replied to the telegram from the chief of police at Rock Hill offering a reward made up by the people of Spartanburg of \$100. A similar telegram was sent to the chief of police of Charlotte.

Before Sheriff Dean left home he telegraphed to the authorities at Oolumbia, Chester, Winnsboro, Union and Rutherford, N. C., asking Newbold's arrest, and otherwise made every effort to bring about the capture outgoing trains.

There is very strong and unfavora-ble criticism being indulged in as to the action of Attorney W. S. Thomason of Spartanburg, who aided New-In speaking of the return of Col. | bold to escape, according to his tele-

The Charleston News and Courier no faith in Republicanism. It says: "Republicanism has one idea of government-the use of the taxing power in behalf of favored interests. It has one financial policy-of controlling A special from Blackville to the the currency in the interest of the